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SUBJECT: FAHMI-GROMYKO TALKS

- 1. SOVIET MEDIA COVERAGE OF FAHMI VISIT TO MOSCOW HAS BEEN EXTREMELY TERSE AND LOW KEY. JUNE 9 PRAVDA BURIED BRIEF FAHMI ARRIVAL STATEMENT ON PAGE 4 AND GAVE NO INDICATION THAT GROMYKO RESPONDED TO FAHMI'S REMARKS ABOUT IMPORTANCE OF PRESENT TALKS. JUNE 10 PRAVDA ALSO PUT VERY BRIEF NOTICE OF FIRST FAHMI-GROMYKO MEETINGS ON PAGE 4.
- 2. AL-AHRAM MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT, WHO HAD EARLIR EXPRESSED OPINION THAT THIS MEETING WAS NOT ONLY AT EGYPTIAN INITIATIVE, CONFIDENTIAL

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BUT HAD BEEN PRESSED BY FAHMI ON PRESIDENT, TOLD US ON JUNE 10 THAT TALKS WERE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND WERE NOT GOING WELL. MUCH DEPENDED, HE SAID, ON MEETING BETWEEN BREZHNEV-FAHMI AND GROMYKO SCHEDULED FOR 1 PM MOSCOW TIME JUNE 10.

3. DAO WAS TOLD ON JUNE 8 BY EGYPTIAN MILITARY

ATTACHE THAT CONTRARY TO EARLIER REPORTS, FAHMI WAS ACCOMPANIED BY ONE MILITARY REP. HOWEVER, SOURCE DID NOT PROVIDE NAME OR TITLE.

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